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**DATE:** September 22, 2010

**TO:** All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

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FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS

Director, Food Protection Program

**SUBJECT:** House of Spices Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Unclassified Recall; All 10 oz. packages of Garvi Gujarat brand Tam Tam (STAR

NOODLES) because they may contain undeclared peanuts; Recommend notification of

affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the products being recalled may be distributed in the State of Indiana. The recalled Garvi Gujarat brand Tam Tam (STAR NOODLES) were sold nationwide in retail stores. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

## Recall -- Firm Press Release

FDA posts press releases and other notices of recalls and market withdrawals from the firms involved as a service to consumers, the media, and other interested parties. FDA does not endorse either the product or the company.

House of Spices Issues Allergy Alert On Undeclared Peanuts in Garvi Gujarat Brand Tam Tam (Star Noodles) 10 oz.

Contact:

George Assar 718 507 4900 ext. 238 **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** - September 21, 2010 - House of Spices in Flushing, NY, is recalling all 10 oz. packages of **Garvi Gujarat brand Tam Tam (STAR NOODLES)** because they may contain undeclared peanuts. People who have an allergy to peanuts run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume this product.

The recalled **Garvi Gujarat brand Tam Tam (STAR NOODLES)** were sold nationwide in retail stores.

Garvi Gujarat brand Tam (STAR NOODLES), Product of India, is packaged in a 10 oz. flexible plastic bag marked with UPC # 7 23246 22347 6 on the back and no other coding.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.

The recall was initiated after it was discovered by the State of Connecticut through sampling and analysis that the product contains peanuts but the packaging did not reveal the presence of peanuts. House of Spice has notified the foreign manufacturer of the problem. Sales of the product have been suspended until FDA and the company is certain that the product is properly labeled.

Consumers who have purchased **Garvi Gujarat brand Tam Tam (STAR NOODLES)** are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact George Assar at 718-507-4900 ext. 238 Mon-Fri from 9 am to 5:30 pm EDT.

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